

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF INDIANA  
INDIANAPOLIS DIVISION

<b>In re: BRIDGESTONE/FIRESTONE, INC.,</b>	) <b>Master File No. IP 00-9373-C-B/S</b>
<b>TIRES PRODUCTS LIABILITY LITIGATION</b>	) <b>MDL NO. 1373</b>
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<b>THIS DOCUMENT RELATES TO ALL</b>	)
<b>ACTIONS</b>	)

**ENTRY FOR NOVEMBER 15, 2001**

The parties appeared, by counsel, this date for a discovery conference, during which the following was discussed and determined:

1. Firestone raised the issue of the responses to certain of its document requests in cases in which Mike Eidson represents the plaintiffs which indicated that the responsive documents would be forthcoming, without providing dates certain when this would occur. Mr. Fernandez, on behalf of Mr. Eidson, reported that most of those documents already have been forwarded to Firestone, and that he expects the remaining documents to be provided no later than November 23, 2001.
2. Mr. Diaz reports that he is in the process of obtaining verifications of interrogatory responses from his clients pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746 and that they should be provided to the defendants next week.
3. The issue of the Ford suspension kits that the plaintiffs have requested was discussed, and the parties indicated that they expect to resolve the issue themselves. The parties will agree to new expert disclosure deadlines for expert opinions related to the suspension kits and report their agreement to the magistrate judge.
4. The issue of the applicable expert disclosure deadlines in the numerous cases in which Ford has stipulated that it will not file summary judgment motions to which expert witness testimony is relevant, but in which Firestone has not so stipulated, will be addressed by separate entry.
5. The magistrate judge will hold another telephonic pretrial conference on **Monday, November 26, 2001, at 1:00** to discuss additional discovery and case management issues. Local counsel for the class action plaintiffs shall make arrangements for the call and notify the court and all other parties regarding those arrangements.

ENTERED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of November 2001.

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V. Sue Shields  
United States Magistrate Judge  
Southern District of Indiana

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